



OAKLAND ATHLETICS

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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (6-6-3) VS. CLEVELAND INDIANS (6-10-2)

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2016 – GOODYEAR BALLPARK– 1:05 P.M. MST
A'S WEBCAST

ABOUT THE A'S: The A's played their third tie game of the spring yesterday, marking the third time in the last four years the A's have at least three ties (13 ties total)...are 6-6-3, which includes 3-2-3 in Mesa and 3-4 on the road...are 17-3-3 at Hohokam since returning to Mesa last year...the A's 15 games played are tied for the fewest in the majors...committed their 21st error yesterday, which is second most in the majors to Tampa Bay (22) and two short of the A's total from the entire spring last year...the pitching staff issued a spring-high tying eight walks yesterday and now has 70 overall, which is the most in the Cactus League and third most in the majors...has the second highest ERA in the CL (5.84)...this is the A's 48th Spring Training in Arizona and their second consecutive spring in Mesa after a 36-year absence...after training in Bradenton, Florida in 1968, the A's came west to Arizona in 1969 and trained in Mesa from 1969-78...moved to Scottsdale in 1979 and then spent 33 seasons at Phoenix Municipal Stadium from 1982-2014...are scheduled to play 32 games this spring, including 29 in Arizona and three in the Bay Area against the Giants (March 31-April 2)...the A's went 22-11-2 (.657) last spring, which was the second best record in the majors to Kansas City (20-10-1, .661)...the 22 wins tied the Oakland Spring Training record set in 2001...finished with a winning record for the fourth consecutive spring...the pitching staff had 262 strikeouts, which were the most by an A's pitching staff during the spring since at least 1991, topping the 247 from 2014.

YESTERDAY: The A's and Mariners played to an 11-11 tie in Mesa...the A's took a 7-0 lead after three innings, highlighted by a two-run home run by Danny Valencia in the first, a two-run double by Coco Crisp in the A's three-run second and two more runs in the third inning...Kendall Graveman started for the A's and allowed two runs in the fourth inning and another in the fifth (4.1 ip, 3 h, 3 r, 3 er, 3 bb, 2 so)...Josh Reddick had a RBI double in the sixth inning to increase the A's lead to 9-3 and John Axford, Ryan Madson and Angel Castro tossed a scoreless inning of relief each...the Mariners then scored eight times in the ninth inning off Eduard Santos and Ryan Brasier to take an 11-9 lead...the A's tied the game in the bottom of the ninth on RBI singles by Chris Coghlan and Matt Chapman.

A's vs. INDIANS: This is the first of two meetings between the A's and Indians this spring...meet again in Mesa March 28...the two clubs split two games last spring, with the A's winning 3-2 in Mesa on March 11 and losing 8-3 at Goodyear on March 23.

PLAYER NOTES: *Billy Burns* has hit safely in each of his last six games (9-for-17, .529) after going 0-for-2 in his first contest...is now batting .392 (40-for-102) over the last two springs...stole two bases last Saturday at Texas and is tied for ninth in the Cactus League with three overall...*Billy Butler* is 4-for-10 (.400) over his last four games after going 1-for-7 (.143) over his first four contests...has appeared in four games at first base and four at designated hitter...*Matt Chapman (NR)* hit his third home run on Tuesday at Colorado, which is tied for eighth in the CL...*Chris Coghlan* is 4-for-12 (.333) over his last four games after going 1-for-10 (.100) over his first four contests...has appeared in three games at second base, two in right field, one in center field and one in left field...*Coco Crisp* has appeared in seven games in center field and one in left field...*Sam Fuld* has three multiple hit games in his last four games and is 7-for-13 (.538) over that span after going 0-for-7 over his first four contests...*Tyler Laddendorf* has a four-game hitting streak (4-for-6, .667)...has appeared in nine games in center field, two in left field, one at second base and one at shortstop...*Jed Lowrie* had two doubles yesterday and has four overall, which is tied for fifth in the CL...has hit safely in each of his last six games (8-for-17, .471) after going 1-for-5 (.200) over his first two...has made all eight of his appearances at second base...*Chad Pinder* is 3-for-7 (.429) over his last five games after going 1-for-7 (.143) over his first five contests...*Josh Reddick* has back-to-back multiple hit games (4-for-7, .571) and has reached base safely in each of his eight games...is tied for fifth in the CL in walks (6)...*Jake Smolinski* is 6-for-15 (.400) over his last eight games after going 1-for-8 (.125) over his first five contests...has appeared in eight games in right field and seven in left field...*Danny Valencia* has homered in three of his last four games and is tied for eighth in the CL in home runs (3)...is tied for 10th in runs (7)...has hit safely and scored a run in seven of his eight games...has made all eight of his appearances at third base...*Stephen Vogt* hit his third home run last Saturday at Texas, which is tied for eighth in the CL.

WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC QUALIFIERS: The second and third qualifiers for the 2017 World Baseball Classic began yesterday in Mexicali, Mexico and Panama City, Panama...the qualifiers run through Sunday...A's non-roster invitee Bruce Maxwell went 3-for-4 with a home run, walk and three RBI in a start at catcher for Germany yesterday in Mexico in a 5-4, 10-inning loss to Nicaragua...three players from the A's minor league

camp are also on WBC Qualifying teams including Andres Avila and Jake Sanchez (Mexico) and Andy Paz (France).

IN CAMP: The A's have 48 active players in camp and one on the 60-day disabled list (Jarrod Parker)...the total includes 34 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and 14 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 21 pitchers, six catchers, 13 infielders and eight outfielders.

OFF SEASON MOVES: The A's signed four free agents this offseason, including Rich Hill, John Axford, Ryan Madson and Henderson Alvarez...the A's also acquired seven 40-man players via trade, including Liam Hendriks (Toronto), Jed Lowrie (Houston), Yonder Alonso and Marc Rzepczynski (San Diego), J.B. Wendelken (Chicago-AL), Khris Davis (Milwaukee) and Chris Coghlan (Chicago-NL)...the A's also claimed Andrew Lambo off waivers from Pittsburgh.

A's MEDIA ALERTS: The A's Media Relations Department will provide frequent updates through its media-only Twitter account...for clubhouse hours, interview times and other media alerts, please follow @AsMediaAlerts...player transactions and other relevant game information will continue to be posted at @Athletics.

A's ON THE AIR: The A's radio network and flagship station 95.7 FM The Game has added a broadcast for the spring and will now air the March 24 night game against Texas...there are now eight broadcasts remaining this spring, including five from Arizona and all three games against San Francisco in the Bay Area in April...in addition to the March 24 game, the Arizona schedule includes all remaining Saturday and Sunday games...Ken Korach returns for his 21st year in the broadcast booth and will be joined by Vince Cotroneo (11th) and Ray Fosse, who enters his 31st season in the booth...Comcast SportsNet California has one remaining game on April 2 against the Giants in Oakland...Glen Kuiper joins Fosse in the broadcast booth for those telecasts...all games not broadcast over the air can be heard live via the club's web site with Donny Baarns calling the action...in addition, seven remaining games will be televised by MLB Network...four of those will air in the Bay Area (March 22 at LAA, March 23 at SEA, March 25 vs. LAA and March 29 at CHC) and the final three of those will air live (March 22 game airs March 23 at 6:00 am PT).

MEDIA INFORMATION: The A's clubhouse at Hohokam Stadium will be open to members of the media with proper credentials beginning approximately one hour prior to team stretch...stretch time varies from day to day; media are asked to check @AsMediaAlerts on Twitter for updated clubhouse hours...the clubhouse may close for team meetings, etc. at certain times...please do not lounge or conduct interviews in the weight room/exercise area...once games begin, the clubhouse will also open to media who need access to players who have completed their work for the day...A's manager Bob Melvin will be available to the media on the Bob Welch Memorial Bench in the first base dugout during team stretch time...Melvin will also be available in front of the dugout immediately following the game...media are permitted in the dugout area and foul territory behind home plate extending down to (but not past) first and third base until the batting cage is removed from the field of play, at which point media will need to leave the field...the A's dugout will remain accessible to the media until 45 minutes before game time...TV camera crews and still photographers with proper credentials must stay in assigned areas at all times...no roving is permitted...TV camera crews are not allowed in the clubhouse pregame, or in the training room or weight room at any time...still photographers are not allowed in the clubhouse, training room or weight room at any time...lunch is available for \$8 to media members with proper credentials in the landing area at the top of Section 209, which is a new location for 2016...the A's provide complimentary parking to members of the media in the Center Street Lot (Lot D), located behind home plate.

TRANSACTIONS

Feb. 12	Khris Davis acquired from Milwaukee for minor leaguers Bubba Derby and Jacob Nottingham; Sean Nolin designated for assignment
Feb. 22	Sean Nolin claimed off waivers by Milwaukee
Feb. 25	Chris Coghlan acquired from the Chicago Cubs for Aaron Brooks
March 13	Andrew Triggs claimed off waivers from Baltimore; Jarrod Parker placed on the 60-day disabled list (fractured right medial epicondyle); Renato Nuñez and Rangel Ravelo optioned to Nashville; Raul Alcantara optioned to Midland; Daniel Coulombe, Ryan Doolittle, Richie Martin, Dillon Overton, Josh Rodriguez, Chris Smith, Beau Taylor and Taylor Thompson reassigned to minor league camp
March 14	Andrew Triggs, J.B. Wendelken and Joey Wendle optioned to Nashville

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TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

STARTING PITCHER #32 JESSE HAHN RHP (0-0, 7.20 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his third start of the spring...has allowed two runs in each of his two starts...opponents are 4-for-18 (.222)...went 6-6 with a 3.35 ERA in 16 starts in his first season with Oakland last year, a campaign that was cut short due to an injury...got off to a slow start as he went 1-4 with a 4.43 ERA over his first eight starts through May 20...then tossed a four-hit shutout May 25 against Detroit and went 5-2 with a 2.42 ERA over his final eight starts...was placed on the disabled list July 11 with a right forearm strain and missed the remainder of the season...yielded just five home runs in 96.2 innings, an average of 0.47 per nine innings...that was the lowest mark in the American League among pitchers with 90 or more innings pitched...using the same minimum, he also ranked third in the AL in opponents slugging percentage (.324) and fifth in OPS (.623)...opponents reached base on an error 14 times, which was the most in the majors, despite missing half of the season...allowed a .238 opponents batting average, which included a .185 mark against right-handed hitters compared to .286 against left-handers.

HAHN'S 2016 SPRING TRAINING STARTS

Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
March 7	Kansas City	6-4	-	9.00	2.0	1	2	2	1	0	1
March 13	Chicago (NL)	3-3	-	7.20	3.0	3	2	2	1	2	1
Totals (1 game, 1 start)		0-0		7.20	5.0	4	4	4	2	2	2

#30 R.J. ALVAREZ RHP (0-0, 5.40 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in his last two outings (2.1 ip) after yielding two runs in his first appearance...last pitched on March 9 at Chicago-AL (1.1 ip, 1 h, 1 hbp)...had four stints with the A's last year and posted a 9.90 ERA in 21 relief appearances...the ERA was the highest in the majors among pitchers with 20 or more innings pitched...struck out 23 batters in 20.0 innings (10.35 per nine innings) but also issued 13 walks (5.85 per nine innings) and surrendered seven home runs (3.15 per nine innings)...had five wild pitches...allowed a .318 opponents batting average, including .200 (9-for-45) by right-handed hitters compared to .450 (18-for-40) against left-handers...allowed 7-of-12 (58.3%) inherited runners to score...first batters faced were 8-for-21 (.381) with two doubles and two home runs (.762 slugging percentage)...spent the balance of the season at Triple-A Nashville where he was 3-3 with five saves and a 4.11 ERA in 31 relief appearances...surrendered two home runs in 35.0 innings...struck out 41, an average of 10.54 per nine innings...allowed a .267 opponents batting average, including .235 (19-for-81) against right-handed hitters compared to .315 (17-for-54) against left-handers.

#48 ERIC SURKAMP RHP (0-1, 4.50 ERA)

Has made three appearances this spring, including two starts...allowed three runs in 4.0 innings in his two starts before tossing a scoreless fifth and sixth inning in relief in his last outing last Saturday at Texas (2.0 ip, 2 h, 1 so)...was signed by the A's to a minor league contract Dec. 4, 2015...began the 2015 season at Triple-A Charlotte in the Chicago White Sox organization and finished it with Triple-A Oklahoma City in the Los Angeles Dodgers farm system...in between, he made one appearance for the Dodgers in July...was selected July 6, pitched that day against Philadelphia (3.1 ip, 4 h, 4 r, 4 er, 1 bb, 4 so), and was designated for assignment the next day...pitched mostly in relief at Charlotte, going 3-0 with a save and 2.81 ERA in 10 relief appearances and one start...then made 15 starts and one relief appearance with Oklahoma City where he was 9-3 with a 3.57 ERA...combined at the Triple-A to post a 12-3 record and a 3.39 ERA in 27 games, including 16 starts...the 12 wins were his most as a minor leaguer, as were his 11 home runs allowed...tied for third among all Triple-A pitchers in wins...allowed a .264 opponents batting average, including .244 against right-handed hitters compared to .305 against left-handers.

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 18 at Cleveland

Indians: RHP Josh Tomlin, RHP Trevor Bauer, RHP Bryan Shaw, RHP Cody Allen

March 19 vs. Cincinnati (SS)

A's: RHP Sonny Gray, RHP Ryan Madson, RHP John Axford, RHP Fernando Rodriguez, LHP Patrick Schuster
Reds: RHP Raisel Iglesias

March 19 at San Francisco (SS)

A's: LHP Felix Doubront, RHP Ryan Dull, RHP Angel Castro, RHP Liam Hendriks, LHP Marc Rzepczynski
Giants: TBA

March 20 vs. Chicago (AL)

A's: LHP Sean Manaea, RHP Eduard Santos, RHP Ryan Brasier
White Sox: RHP Jacob Turner, RHP Carson Fulmer

2016 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RADIO/TV
March 3	at Los Angeles (AL)	L, 2-8	0-1	Morin	R.Doolittle	4,071		March 18	at Cleveland	1:05	
March 4	Colorado	W, 9-4	1-1	Manaea	Carle	3,535	3,535	March 19	Cincinnati (SS)	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
	at Arizona	L, 3-6	1-2	Wagner	Smith	9,875			at San Francisco (SS)	1:05	
March 5	Milwaukee	T, 8-8	1-2-1	—	—	5,218	8,753	March 20	Chicago (AL)	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 6	at San Diego	W, 6-5	2-2-1	Rzepczynski	Perdomo	5,339		March 21	at San Francisco	1:05	
March 7	Kansas City	W, 6-4	3-2-1	Santos	Binford	4,615	13,368	March 22	at Los Angeles (AL)	1:05	MLBN (airs March 23 at 6am PT)
March 8	Texas	L, 3-10	3-3-1	Holland	Surkamp	4,224	17,592	March 23	at Seattle	7:10	MLBN
March 9	at Chicago (AL)	W, 12-3	4-3-1	Gray	Turner	3,484		March 24	Texas	7:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 10	Los Angeles (NL)	I, 3-8	4-4-1	Maeda	Hill	6,304	23,896	March 25	Los Angeles (AL)	1:05	MLBN
March 11	at Cincinnati	W, 9-4	5-4-1	Bassitt	Moscot	3,668		March 26	at Kansas City	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 12	at Texas	L, 5-14	5-5-1	Klein	Graveman	6,842		March 27	Kansas City	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 13	Chicago (NL)	T, 3-3	5-5-2	—	—	10,040*	33,936	March 28	Cleveland	1:05	
March 14	San Francisco	W, 10-3	6-5-2	Gray	Cueto	10,080*	44,016	March 29	at Chicago (NL)	1:05	MLBN
March 15	at Colorado	L, 2-6	6-6-2	DeLaRosa	Hill	8,207		March 30	Arizona	12:05	
March 16	OFF DAY							March 31	San Francisco (at SF)	7:15	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network/CSNBA
March 17	Seattle	T, 11-11	6-6-3	—	—	9,086	53,102	April 1	San Francisco (at SF)	7:15	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network/NBC
								April 2	San Francisco (at Oak)	1:05	CSNCA/95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network